



Navajo president:

EPA says spill cleanup could take decades

Pete McKay, San Juan County commissioner in Colorado, looks at the site where the Gold King Mine breach occurred, north of Silverton, Colo. Local officials in towns downstream from where millions of gallons of mine waste spilled into the San Juan River are demanding answers about possible long-term threats to the water supply. (Jon Austria/The Daily Times via AP) Page 4



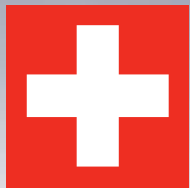
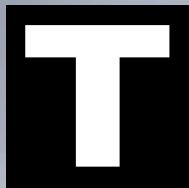
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Mississippi couple charged in Islamic State case denied bail

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Associated Press

OXFORD, Mississippi (AP)

— A young Mississippi couple who are charged with attempting to join the Islamic State were ordered held without bail Tuesday, pending federal grand jury action on the charges.

Twenty-year-old Jaelyn Delshaun Young and 22-year-old Muhammad "Mo" Dakhalla, who were arrested at a local airport just before boarding a flight with tickets bound for Istanbul, went before a U.S. Magistrate Judge on Tuesday in Oxford, Mississippi.

The judge denied bail, saying that even though the pair have never been in trouble with the law and have relatives willing to oversee their home confinement, their desire commit terrorism is "probably still there." Urging the court to keep the suspects in custody, Assistant U.S. Attorney Clay Joyner likened them to Boston Marathon

bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, saying that like him, they could commit violence with knives, vehicles or homemade weapons.

"They don't need a gun to do harm," Joyner said. "They don't need military training to do harm. What they need is a violent, extremist ideology, and that's exactly what they have espoused." FBI agents arrested them at a Mississippi airport, filing criminal charges that both were attempting and conspiring to provide material support to a terrorist group, a federal crime punishable by up to 20 years in prison and a fine of \$250,000.

An FBI agent's affidavit said both confessed their plans after their arrest. Defense attorneys declined to comment after the hearing, but told the court that the material didn't prove either had committed a crime. Court papers say both Young and Dakhalla are U.S. citizens. □



In this 2012 photo, Jaelyn Young, an honor student at Warren Central High School, poses for a photo in Vicksburg, Miss. Young and another Mississippi resident were arrested on Saturday, Aug. 8, 2015, on charges that they were trying to travel abroad to join the Islamic State militant group.

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Man pleads not guilty to beach bomb plot

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AP Legal Affairs Writer

MIAMI (AP) — A man has

pleaded not guilty Tuesday to federal charges of plotting to set off a backpack bomb on a Florida beach to show solidarity with the Islamic State militant group.

Attorney Richard Della Fera entered the plea Tuesday in court in Miami for 23-year-old Harlem Suarez of Key West, Florida, who did not speak during the brief hearing. Suarez faces life in prison if convicted of attempting to use a weapon of mass destruction and up to 20 years behind bars if found guilty of seeking to provide material support to terrorists.

Della Fera says Suarez, who emigrated from Cuba with his family in 2004, is no ter-

rorist and has portrayed him as "troubled and confused." The case, which involved FBI use of undercover operatives, evolved from a series of pro-Islamic State postings on Suarez's Facebook pages earlier this year. Suarez sometimes used a Facebook account with the name "Almlak Benitez" in which he appeared to be trying to recruit fighters for the terror group, the FBI says.

"We are the Islamic state. We are ISIS Muslims," one posting says.

According to the FBI, Suarez told an informant he wanted to detonate a homemade bomb using a backpack filled with nails on a Florida beach after previously discussing plans to set off a bomb in Miami Beach or another Keys

town. He was arrested in July after officials say he took possession of an inert explosive device from an undercover FBI employee posing as an Islamic State member.

The material support charge stems from an Islamic State recruitment video Suarez is accused of making — using a script he wrote — with the assistance of the FBI informant, Della Fera said.

"Destroy our enemies against us. Let live only who are our brothers and sisters," Suarez says on the video, according to an FBI complaint. "American soil is the past, we will destroy America and divide it in two, we will raise our black flag on top of your White House and any president on duty (cut head)." □



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Navajo president:

EPA says spill cleanup could take decades



Navajo Nation Council Delegate Davis Filfred walks along the San Juan River, Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015, in Montezuma Creek, Utah. A spill containing lead and arsenic from the abandoned Gold King Mine in Silverton, Colo., leaked into the Animas River, which flows into the San Juan River in southern Utah, on Aug. 5. The spill was caused by a mining and safety team working for the EPA. (AP Photo/Matt York)

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Associated Press
ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico (AP) — Townspeople watching millions of gallons of orange-colored mine waste flow through their

communities demanded clarity Tuesday about possible long-term threats to their water supply. Colorado and New Mexico made disaster declarations for stretches of the Animas and San Juan rivers and the

Navajo Nation declared an emergency as the toxic waste spread downstream toward Lake Powell in Utah. EPA workers accidentally unleashed an estimated 3 million gallons (11.36 million liters) of mine waste, includ-

ing high concentrations of arsenic, lead and other heavy metals, as they inspected the long-abandoned Gold King mine near Silverton, Colorado, on Aug. 5.

EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy said Tuesday in Washington, D.C., that she takes full responsibility for the spill, which she said "pains me to no end." She said the agency is working around the clock to assess the environmental impact. EPA officials said the shocking orange plume has already dissipated and that the leading edge of the contamination cannot be seen in the downstream stretches of the San Juan River or Lake Powell.

So far, the Bureau of Reclamation has no plans to slow flows on the lower Colorado River, below Lake Powell, where the water is a vital resource for parts of California, Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico and Utah.

Chris Watt, a bureau spokesman in Salt Lake City, said his agency is testing the water at the request of the EPA, and can't discuss the impact without learning the results.

None of this has eased concerns or quelled anger among people in the arid Southwest who depend on this water for their survival. The Navajos, whose sovereign nation covers parts of New Mexico, Utah and Ari-

zona, shut down water intake systems and stopped diverting water from the San Juan River. Navajo Nation President Russell Begaye told The Associated Press that regional EPA officials told him the cleanup could take decades.

"Decades. That is totally, completely unsettling," Begaye said. "This is a huge issue. This river, the San Juan, is our lifeline, not only in a spiritual sense but also it's an economic base that sustains the people that live along the river. You're taking away the livelihood and maybe taking it away from them for decades. ... That is just, to me, a disaster of a huge proportion. And we have yet to hear from the Obama administration."

The Attorneys General of Utah, New Mexico and Colorado have been coordinating a response to protect their citizens and ensure "whatever remediation is necessary occurs as quickly as possible," Utah Attorney General Sean Reyes said in a statement. Utah Gov. Gary Herbert expressed disappointment with the EPA's initial handling of the spill, but said the state has no plans for legal action. New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez, however, said she would not take anything off the table and that the EPA should be held to the same standards as industry. □

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Police: store video shows suspect in Ferguson shooting



Police stand near a suspect in a parking lot after gunfire during a protest on the anniversary of the death of Michael Brown, in Ferguson, Mo.

(AP Photo/Jeff Roberson)

FERGUSON, Missouri (AP) — St. Louis County police have released surveillance video footage they

say shows the 18-year-old black suspect who was critically wounded after being shot by police in Ferguson minutes before he fired a gun at plainclothes officers. Tyrone Harris Jr. was shot late Sunday after police say he opened fire on an unmarked police van. Police said a 13-second clip of security camera footage from a West Florissant Avenue insurance office that they released Tuesday afternoon shows him grabbing a handgun from his waistband in response to shots being fired while protests were taking place nearby connected to the one-year anniversary of the shooting death of Michael Brown, an unarmed black 18-year-old killed by a white police officer.

Harris was in critical condition Monday at a St. Louis hospital. County police and Barnes-Jewish Hospital were unable to provide updates on his condition Tuesday. Harris' father disputed the police account Monday but declined to discuss his son's shooting Tuesday. Tyrone Harris Jr. has been charged with 10 felonies — five counts of armed criminal action, four counts of first-degree assault on a law enforcement officer and a firearms charge. Online court records show that Tyrone Harris Jr. was charged in November with stealing a motor vehicle and a gun, as well as resisting arrest by fleeing. A court hearing in that case is scheduled for Aug. 31. □

Armed militia group's return to Ferguson raising concerns

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Associated Press

FERGUSON, Missouri (AP)

— The return of an armed militia group patrolling the streets of Ferguson drew criticism Tuesday from both protesters and the county police chief overseeing security amid ongoing demonstrations marking the anniversary of 18-year-old Michael Brown's shooting death.

St. Louis County Police Chief Jon Belmar said the overnight presence of the Oath Keepers, wearing camouflage bulletproof vests and openly carrying rifles and pistols on West Florissant Avenue, the hub of marches and protests for the past several days, was "both unnecessary and inflammatory."

The St. Louis suburb was the focus of months of massive protests and sometimes violent unrest last summer after the killing of Brown by a white Ferguson police officer, which sparked a nationwide protest movement and a fierce debate over how police treat minorities.

Belmar plans to ask county prosecutor Bob McCulloch about the legality of armed patrols by the far-right anti-government activist group,

which largely comprises past and present members of the military, first responders and police officers. But Missouri law allows anyone with a concealed carry permit to openly display a firearm anywhere in the state.

John Kariman, a representative of the group who has taught at the Missouri Southern State University police academy and ran unsuccessfully as a Libertarian Party candidate for county sheriff in southwest Missouri, did not immediately respond to a cell-phone message seeking comment.

The group's membership coordinator referred an inquiry to founder Stewart Rhodes, who studied constitutional law at Yale University.

Oath Keepers previously showed up in Ferguson in November after a grand jury declined to indict former Ferguson officer Darren Wilson in Brown's death, saying they stationed themselves along several downtown rooftops to protect businesses from rioting and looters.

County police ordered them to leave then, but group members intermittently returned. □

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Kerry, top Democratic senator spar on Iran deal, sanctions

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State John Kerry sparred Tuesday with the lone Democratic senator to publicly oppose last month's historic Iran nuclear deal, saying there was no way the U.S. could prevent American allies from doing business with Tehran if Congress were to reject the agreement. Speaking across town in New York, Sen. Chuck Schumer disagreed and suggested Washington still could force the world into isolating the Iranians until they make deeper nuclear concessions. The dispute goes to the heart of the questions that American lawmakers are considering



Secretary of State John Kerry pauses while testifying on Capitol Hill in Washington on the Iran Nuclear Agreement. Kerry says if Congress rejects the Iran nuclear deal, the U.S. won't be able to prevent allies from doing business with Tehran.

(AP Photo/Andrew Harnik)

as they prepare to vote on the nuclear accord. If they were to shelve the

deal — and override an expected presidential veto — they could severely complicate the Obama administration's ability to honor its commitments to roll back economic sanctions on Iran. In exchange, Iran has agreed to a decade of tough restrictions on Iran's nuclear program and a far more intrusive inspections regime.

Republicans are almost universally opposed at this point.

Addressing a Reuters Newsmaker event in New York, Kerry took aim at

those in Congress who say a better deal could still be reached. That argument would entail the U.S. maintaining or increasing pressure on Iran by threatening foreign governments and businesses for trading with Tehran or buying Iranian oil, a strategy that both President Barack Obama and Republicans credit with drawing Iran into serious nuclear negotiations two years ago. Now that the pact has been finalized, Kerry said such a heavy-handed approach was an option no longer. "Are you kidding me?" he asked the crowd. "The United States is going to start sanctioning our allies and their banks and their businesses because we walked away from a deal? And we're going to force them to do what we want them to do, even though they agreed to the deal we came to?" Kerry warned of severe consequences for pursuing such an approach after the agreement has been accepted by Iran and fellow negotiating countries Britain, China, France, Germany and Russia — and endorsed by all 15 members of the U.N. Security Council.

He said that European gov-

ernments could walk away from the U.S.-led sanctions strategy against Russia, that the United States and Israel would have no support for military action against Iran, if such action were necessary, and that the U.S. dollar would lose its status as the reserve currency of the world.

The top American diplomat also challenged those who have criticized the length of the deal's restrictions on Iranian enrichment of material that can be used in nuclear warheads and other elements of its program. He suggested it was illegitimate to worry that Iran would be a "nuclear threshold nation" in 15 years or 20 years, because it already is one today. "They became that while we had a policy of no enrichment," he said, referencing the continued demand of Republicans and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

If Congress were to vote down the deal, he said, the U.S. would lose the moral high ground.

"We will have left Iran free to go do its program, without restraints, without inspections, without knocking down its stockpile, without knowing what they're doing," he said. □

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US official:

FBI has Hillary Clinton emails from home server

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AP Intelligence Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A U.S. official says the FBI has taken possession of Hillary Rodham Clinton's emails, a few of which have been deemed to contain classified information.

The official is not authorized to be quoted by name and requested anonymity.

The official says the FBI re-

covered two thumb drives containing the emails from Clinton's lawyer, David Kendall.

Republican Sen. Chuck Grassley says two of the emails, which traversed Clinton's insecure home email server, were deemed "Top Secret, Sensitive Compartmented Information." That's one of the government's highest classifica-

tions.

Clinton is the front-runner for the Democratic nomination for president.

She has faced criticism over her use of a private email address and home server while secretary of state.

Her campaign and her lawyer have not yet responded to a request for comment. □

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Muslim worshippers attend Friday prayers in a mosque in the central Syrian town of Qaryatain. The Arabic on the bottom banner reads, "Friday prayers after the conquest of Qaryatain." Activists said hundreds of families fled the Christian town of Sadad late last week as Islamic State militants captured Qaryatain, which is about 15 miles northwest of Sadad. (Rased News Network via AP)

Report:

IS in Syria releases 22 Christian captives

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Associated Press

BEIRUT (AP) — Islamic State militants on Tuesday released 22 Christians they had held captive since February, following mediation by tribal leaders, activists said.

The 22 were part of more than 220 Assyrian Christians captured at the time by the IS group after it overran several farming communities on the southern bank of Khabur River in the northeastern province of Hassakeh. Since then, only a few have been released.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said tribal leaders mediated the release of the 22, adding that money has been paid for the released group.

The Assyrian Human Rights Network said 14 of those released were women. The freed hostages were taken to the Virgin Mary Church in the city of Hassakeh, the network said. It also posted photos on its

Facebook page, showing mostly elderly men and women, some in tears, being greeted by a priest.

The Assyrian Federation of Sweden, which has followed the case, said Tuesday's release brings the total number of freed Assyrians to 45.

Last week, IS abducted about 60 Christians from the central town of Qaryatain, hours after it was captured by the group. Nearly half of them were later released but the fate of the rest remains unknown.

Christians make up about 10 percent of Syria's pre-war population of 23 million people.

Meanwhile, a hard-line Islamic faction in Syria on Tuesday expressed support for a U.S.-Turkish plan to set up a safe zone free of the Islamic State group in northern Syria, along the border with Turkey.

The Aharar al-Sham statement made no mention of the United States and only spoke about Turkey's

desire to set up the IS-free zone. However, the statement suggested the ultraconservative group was looking to become a key player on the ground in the effort to carve out such an IS-free zone. It said such a zone would serve the interests of the Syrian people and be "vital" for the protection of civilians and return of refugees.

Al-Qaida's affiliate in Syria, the Nusra Front, said Monday it is withdrawing from areas along the border with Turkey where it has been fighting IS militants. Turkey began carrying out airstrikes against IS targets in Syria two weeks ago.

The Obama administration has been struggling to find effective moderate partners to work with in Syria in the battle against the Islamic State. Late last month, the Nusra Front crushed the U.S.-backed faction known as Division 30 in northern Syria, and captured, killed or wounded many of its fighters. □

Report: Iraq parliament approves reform plan in rare show of unity

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Associated Press

BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraq's parliament on Tuesday unanimously approved an ambitious reform plan that would cut spending and eliminate senior posts, including the three largely symbolic vice presidencies, following mass protests against corruption and poor services.

Lawmakers approved the plan without a debate — a dramatic departure from the heated arguments and delays that have slowed previous efforts to approve important laws. Iraq's most revered Shiite cleric, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, had backed the plan, which was announced Sunday amid mounting public pressure.

The government in Baghdad faces multiple challenges amid a war against the Islamic State group, which blitzed last year to capture a third of Iraq and neighboring Syria. Iraqi forces and Kurdish fighters, backed by U.S.-led airstrikes have since managed to retake some areas but clashes between the militants and security forces continue.

Tuesday's development came after mass protests across Iraq against corruption and poor governance, focused on frequent power outages which have made a recent heat wave even more unbearable.

After the parliament approved the law, Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi congratulated Iraqis in a message on his Facebook page, promising "to continue in the path of the reform even if it costs me my life with the trust in God and the people's support."

Parliament Speaker Salim al-Jabouri said he hoped that Tuesday's "move will be the first and not the last to continue in the path of reform with the same spirit and without any hesitation."

The U.N. mission to Iraq, known as UNAMI, welcomed the plan, saying it will "strengthen national unity and accelerate reconciliation at a time all honest Iraqis need to combine their efforts in the fight against terror."

The acting chief of UNAMI, Gyorgy Busztin, said in a statement that "corruption and inefficiency create widespread and rightful dissatisfaction, which in turn, can be manipulated by terrorist groups for their own ends."

The plan, which was unveiled by al-Abadi and approved by his Cabinet on Sunday, would cut spending and eliminate the offices of the three vice presidents and the three deputy prime ministers, largely symbolic positions for which appointments have long been determined by party patronage and sectarian loyalties.

The reforms dismantle parts of the top-heavy government created in the wake of the 2003 U.S.-led invasion that toppled dictator Saddam Hussein. The tripartite offices were intended to give equal representation to Iraq's Shiite majority and its Sunni and Kurdish minorities. □



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Greece accepts harsh new bailout terms, vows swift vote

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ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Greece agreed to harsh terms for a new three-year bailout Tuesday and vowed to push it through parliament this week, despite mounting dissent in the ruling left-wing party. With the country facing the risk of a debt default next week, Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras had sought to speed up the talks and get approval of a deal this week.

After Greece and its creditors reached an accord on the main points on Tuesday, Tsipras called for an emergency session of parliament for a vote late Thursday.

Greece needs to start tapping the new bailout — worth 85 billion euros (\$93 billion) — so that it can make a key debt repayment next week and secure its future in the euro. The draft agreement forces Tsipras to accept what he had vowed to resist only months ago: the sale of some state property and deep cuts to pensions, military spending and ending tax credits to people considered vulnerable.

Officials in Athens and the European Union said a few issues were left to be ironed out Tuesday.

"We are very close. Two or three very small details remain," Finance Minister Euclid Tsakalotos said as he emerged Tuesday morning from all-night discussions with creditors.

The European Commission, a key negotiator in the talks, confirmed the progress. Annika Breidhardt, the Commission's spokeswoman for economic affairs, said the details were expected to be cleared up later in the day.



Greek Finance Minister Euclid Tsakalotos arrives for a meeting with senior negotiators at a hotel in Athens. Greece agreed to harsh terms for a new three-year bailout Tuesday and vowed to push it through parliament this week, despite mounting dissent in the ruling left-wing party.
 (Giannis Kotsiaris/AP)

Dissenters in Tsipras' left-wing Syriza party, who want to end bailout talks and return to a national currency, promised to fight the deal, describing it as a "noose around the neck of

the Greek people."

Tsipras requested an end to the summer recess to allow for the two-day approval procedure and to get a vote before a meeting of eurozone finance

ministers on Friday.

The agreement still requires approval from higher-level representatives, and senior finance officials from the 28 EU nations were holding a conference call Tuesday.

Germany, the largest single contributor to Greece's two previous bailouts and among the toughest negotiators so far, remained cautious on the timing for a final deal. "We will have to examine the results that come in the course of today," deputy finance minister Jens Spahn told n-tv television.

Investors cheered the news of progress.

Greece's government borrowing rates fell, a sign investors are less worried about a default. The 2-year bond yield dropped by 4.2 percentage points to 14.73 percent. The Athens Stock Exchange, which reopened recently after being shut for five weeks during the most severe part of Greece's financial crisis closed up 2.1 percent.

Cash-strapped Greece needs more money by Aug. 20 at the latest, when it has a debt repayment of just over 3 billion euros to make to the European Central Bank. □

Prosecutors:

Possible Buk missile parts found at MH17 site

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 Associated Press

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — Dutch prosecutors said Tuesday they have found what they believe could be parts of a Buk missile system at the site in eastern Ukraine where Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 was brought down last year.

The announcement represents the first time prosecutors have confirmed possible physical evidence of a missile bringing down the plane and killing all 298 people on board. Fred Westerbeke, the Dutch prosecutor leading the investigation, told The As-

sociated Press that investigations have established that the parts "probably are parts of a missile system and probably a Buk missile system." Westerbeke's team, which is conducting an international criminal probe into the deadly crash on July 17, 2014, said in a written statement that the parts "are of particular interest to the criminal investigation as they can possibly provide more information about who was involved in the crash of MH17." Westerbeke said he would ask Russia and other countries for help identifying the suspected

pieces of a surface-to-air missile system. Though prosecutors have previously said a missile strike is the most likely explanation for the crash, they have never revealed that they are in possession of possible missile parts.

However, they cautioned that the conclusion cannot yet be drawn "that there is a causal connection between the discovered parts and the crash of flight MH17." The parts were found during Dutch recovery missions to the crash site. Dutch authorities have conducted several missions to recover human re-

mains, victims' belongings and parts of the downed Boeing 777. Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 was heading from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur when it was brought down over conflict-torn eastern Ukraine. Russian-backed rebels and Ukrainian forces have accused one another of shooting down the plane. Both sides deny responsibility. A report by the Dutch Safety Board into the cause of the crash is expected by the end of October, while the separate international criminal investigation is likely to take months more to complete. □

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China's move to devalue currency could reverberate globally



A man walks past a currency exchange shop in Hong Kong, Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015. China devalued its tightly controlled currency Tuesday following a slump in trade, allowing the yuan's biggest one-day decline in a decade. (AP Photo/Vincent Yu)

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BEIJING (AP) — China's surprise move Tuesday to devalue its currency has intensified concerns about a slowdown in the world's second-largest economy, whose growth rate has reached a six-year low. It is also fanning tensions with the United States and Europe, whose exports could

become comparatively costlier. China's central bank said the yuan's devaluation was a result of reforms intended to make its exchange rate more market-based. The yuan is linked to the dollar, which has jumped in the past year. Tuesday's move will mean the yuan will more fully reflect market fluctuations, Chinese officials say.

A close peg between the dollar and the yuan has hurt Chinese exporters by keeping their goods expensive overseas, thereby threatening jobs in key manufacturing industries. Exports in July plummeted by an unexpectedly steep 8.3 percent from a year earlier. A cheaper yuan will lower the prices of China's exports. "The move signals that

(China) is willing to use all available tools, including a weaker currency, to prop up exports and its domestic economy," said Eswar Prasad, an international economist at Cornell University.

Yet many economists cautioned against seeing Beijing's move mainly as an effort to benefit its exporters at the expense of overseas competitors. They note that China's currency, left to market forces alone, would have declined in value in recent months.

"It is a small step forward to accommodating market forces," said Sung Won Sohn, an economics professor at the California State University's Smith School of Business.

China's currency move unnerved global investors. U.S. stocks tumbled Tuesday, with the Dow Jones industrial average closing down 212 points.

The yuan, also known as the renminbi, is allowed to fluctuate in a band 2 percent above or below a rate set by the People's Bank of China based on the previous day's trading. The bank said that starting Tuesday, the daily target

will be based on where the yuan closed the previous day, a change that gives market forces a bigger role in determining the currency's level. The center of Tuesday's trading band was set 1.9 percent below Monday's level. The yuan quickly fell 1.3 percent against the dollar and was down 1.9 percent by afternoon.

China's economic growth has slowed to an annual rate of just 7 percent — healthy for most countries but far below the double-digit pace it has enjoyed for decades. The country's leaders fear that growth below that pace will raise the unemployment rate and possibly lead to social unrest.

Still, China's action Tuesday sparked complaints in Washington, where members of Congress have long complained that Beijing manipulates its currency to gain a trade advantage.

"For years, China has rigged the rules and played games with its currency," said Sen. Chuck Schumer, a New York Democrat. "Rather than changing their ways, the Chinese government seems to be doubling down." □

Japan, China vie to build high-speed rail for Indonesia

NINIEK KARMINI
Associated Press
JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)

— Indonesia's top development official said the government is studying proposals from China and Japan for construction of a high-speed rail line and expects to announce the outcome later this month. Andriof Chaniago, the national development planning minister, told reporters

Tuesday that a decision on which proposal to accept could be made in about two weeks. The high-speed rail, which will connect the capital Jakarta to Bandung, is part of Indonesia's 750-kilometer (466-mile) high-speed train project that would cut across four provinces on the main island of Java and end in the country's second largest city of Surabaya. President

Joko Widodo has ambitious plans to improve Indonesia's infrastructure, which could boost manufacturing and create hundreds of thousands of new jobs. Officials have said that the final proposals made by regional rivals China and Japan followed intense high-level lobbying efforts as the two countries compete for political and commercial influence in Southeast Asia's

biggest economy. Both countries have substantial expertise in high-speed trains though China is a late-comer to the industry compared with Japan.

"We will conduct a review not more than two weeks and will make a decision soon," Chaniago said after meeting with his Chinese counterpart, Xu Shaoshi.

China and Japan have offered low interest loans and

other perks as they vie to secure the rail contract.

China's embassy in Jakarta on Monday released a statement promising 40,000 new jobs in Indonesia for every year of the line's construction. Chaniago said China estimates the line would cost \$5.5 billion and is offering Indonesia 50-year loans that will charge annual interest of two percent. □



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Homes are flooded in Lujan, Argentina, Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015. Overflowing rivers and streets turned into waterways are prompting the evacuation of large numbers of people in the province of Buenos Aires after several days of heavy rain.

(AP Photo/Natasha Pisarenko)

Flooding prompts evacuations in Buenos Aires province

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Thousands of people are evacuating parts of Argentina's Buenos Aires province after heavy weekend rains caused rivers to rise precipitously.

Local television reports show emergency workers traversing streets in boats in some areas.

One city hit by flooding is Lujan, about 46 miles (75 kilometers) west of the Argentine capital. Thousands of Roman Catho-

lic pilgrims visit the city each year to give thanks to the Virgin of Lujan, the country's patron saint. Authorities say the important Arrecifes River has reached 29 feet (9 meters), nearly twice its usual level.

Television station TN reports that 3,000 people evacuated their homes Tuesday. A Buenos Aires province spokesman says authorities don't yet have estimates on evacuees. □

Venezuela:

Jailed opposition leader Ceballos to house arrest

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Lawyers for a jailed Venezuelan opposition leader say he will be transferred to house arrest while awaiting trial.

Attorney Juan Carlos Gutierrez announced Tuesday that prosecutors had given permission for Daniel Ceballos to be released to his home.

Venezuelan authorities removed Ceballos as mayor of the western city of San Cristobal during anti-government protests last year. He was arrested and quickly convicted on charges of disobeying authority for his refusal to remove demonstrators' barricades.

Although he completed

that one-year sentence, he was ordered to remain in custody pending trial on more serious charges tied to his support for protests in the city.

In May, Ceballos won a primary in San Cristobal from behind bars. But elections officials later barred him from holding public office. □

Bolivia:

Morales says wants to improve ties with US

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP) — Bolivia's leftist president says he wants to accelerate efforts to improve diplomatic ties with Washington, as Cuba and Iran recently have.

Evo Morales says it's important "not to be left out of an important political context."

He met Tuesday with U.S.

Charge d'Affaires Peter Brennan and told reporters he thinks it's time to exchange ambassadors again.

Morales expelled the U.S. ambassador in 2008 along with agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration, accusing them of inciting the opposition.

Two years ago, the U.S. Agency for International Development was asked to leave Bolivia.

The White House calls Bolivia an inadequate partner in the war on drugs. It's the world's No. 3 cocaine producer.

Morales has often accused the U.S. of imperial designs in the region. □

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Cuba's tourism boom: some worry they'll be left out

ANDREA RODRIGUEZ

Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Cuba (AP) —

This 500-year-old city smells of fresh paint and varnish.

ond-largest city is suffering a tourist drought.

Santiago saw less than a tenth of the tourist traffic in Havana last year and

detente between the U.S. and Cuba.

That's raising concerns that a rising tide of tourist dollars will leave some areas of

a sweeping view of the Caribbean.

The city sits about 500 miles (800 kilometers) east of Havana on highways that narrow outside the capital to horrifically rutted roads clogged with horse carts, bicyclists and stray cows. The journey by road can last 15 hours, and far longer in Cuba's notoriously unreliable and uncomfortable inter-city buses. Train and domestic plane tickets are virtually impossible to obtain without waiting hours in lines that may or may not end in satisfaction. There are only three flights a week from the U.S. Cruise ships provide a promising new potential source of visitors, although dockings here remain relatively rare.

"It's tough for those who go to Havana and want to come here," said Virgen Maria Jerez, owner of an elegant private restaurant near Domenech's home in central Santiago. "Transport is vital and we're disconnected."

Those who do reach Santiago find a city rich with history but hampered by what visitors and residents alike call substandard accommodations, few high-quality restaurants and a lack of fun things to do at night. □



Cuban singer Candido Fabre sings at a carnival concert in Santiago, Cuba. Santiago's promoters lament that tourists are missing out on the city's rich Afro-Cuban culture, its meandering streets, colonial architecture and its prized role as the home of Cuban musical genres such as trova and son. (AP Photo/Ramon Espinosa)

Residents stroll along a recently completed harbor promenade under gleaming new streetlights, enjoying sea breezes while relaxing on newly installed metal benches.

Missing are the tourists. As foreign visitors flood Havana and a select group of other colonial cities and beach resorts, Cuba's sec-

less than a 20th of the visitors to the beach resort of Varadero even amid large-scale government investment in renovating the city for its 500th anniversary this summer. Other Cuban c are seeing similarly stagnant visitor numbers despite the dramatic surge in overall tourism set off by the announcement of

Cuba booming and others struggling against a backdrop of broader economic stagnation.

"They're promoting Havana and the center of the country but they've forgotten about Santiago," said Gladys Domenech, who rents tourists a room in her home in the historic center that features a terrace with

OAS:

Irregularities did not disrupt overall elections in Haiti

EVENS SANON

Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) —

An international mission that monitored legislative elections in Haiti said this week that there were scattered problems with violence and other disruptions during Sunday's first round but not enough to disrupt the legitimacy of the overall vote.

The Organization of American States had 28 observers monitoring Sunday elections that saw Haitians choose lawmakers for the next Parliament in a contest that was delayed for nearly four years. They visited 171 of more than 1,500 voting centers across the country of 10 million people.

At a news conference in Haiti's capital, Mission chief Enrique Castillo said observers found that delays and disorder at a number of voting centers were not "so generalized or so big as to be able to question the whole process."

In a preliminary report, Castillo's team praised Haiti's Provisional Electoral Council for trying to fix problems over the course of election day.

Sunday's first round sought to fill two-thirds of the 30-member Senate and the entire 119-member Chamber of Deputies in the nation still struggling to recover from a 2010 earthquake that devastated the capital and surrounding areas. Haiti's last legislature was dissolved about eight months ago because the terms of lawmakers expired before new elections could be held due to a political showdown between Haiti's executive and opposition. □

Canadian gets 40 years in Puerto Rico for child porn

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico

(AP) A Canadian man has been sentenced in Puerto Rico to 40 years in prison for possession and production of child pornography.

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

says Denis Victor Courchesne of Fort McMurray in Alberta was sentenced Tuesday in the U.S. Caribbean territory.

He was arrested last year at the island's main airport when U.S. customs officers found images of

child pornography on his laptop computer and an external hard drive. The 46-year-old Canadian had just arrived on a flight from Panama.

In an affidavit, U.S. agents alleged Courchesne told them he was sexually at-

tracted to prepubescent girls. Investigators said he downloaded hundreds of child pornography images as a paid subscriber to an online group and also produced unlawful images with his cellular phone. □



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Email Subject:

"David Harris' recent stay and sickness while in Aruba."

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He called an ambulance and supervised getting me to it. At the hospital, I had to have several IV injections of pain medicine to get me to a level they could do tests.

An emergency surgery was performed. Mr. Werleman called the hospital to check on me. Mr. Werleman and his supervisor came to see me the next day and brought a bowl of fruit (which was

one of the few things I could eat that did not make me nauseous).

He arranged transportation for my wife to come to the hospital 2 times daily and brought her back to the Marriott.

This was a tremendous help to her as she was quite distraught. He arranged transportation for me to be brought back from the hospital. He arranged for my luggage to be shipped

back home as I could not lift anything.

Mr. Werleman and the staff at the Marriott were truly wonderful.

They unselfishly helped me and my wife through the entire ordeal. I cannot thank them enough. What wonderful acts of compassion. What a great country you have."

Sincerely,

David and Catherine Harris

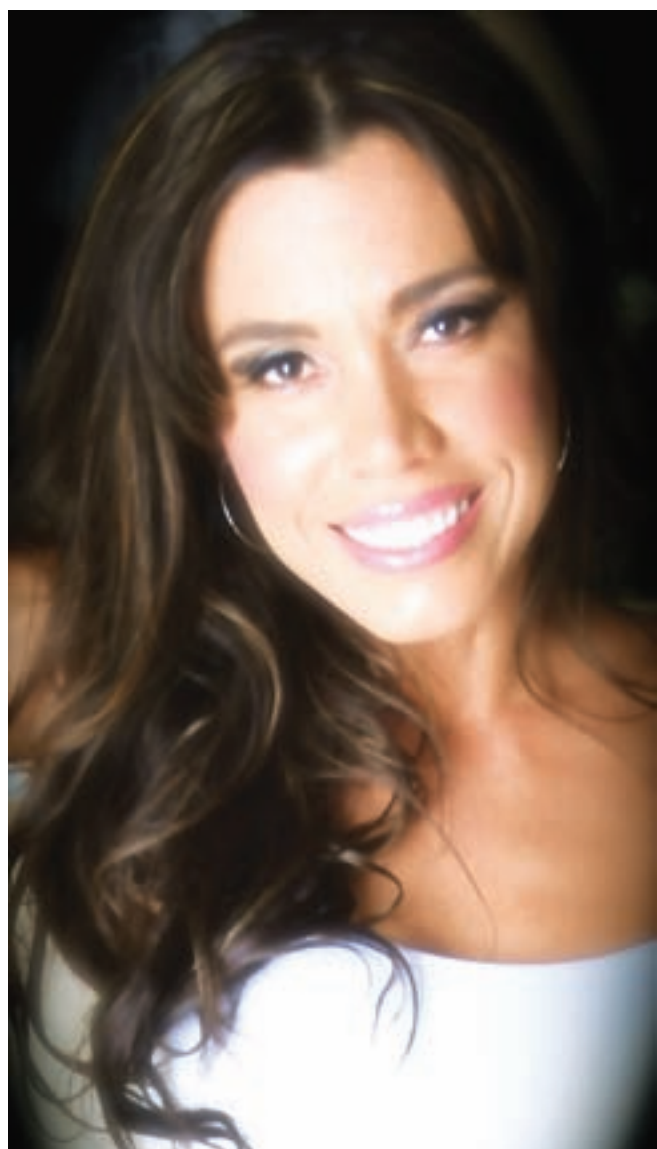
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“Aruba: A Cosmopolitan Pearl”

By Amoriza Gunnink

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stead for the development of cultural flexibility, linguistic competence and global citizenship. Crafted economic development and social policies have secured the island and its

as a tourist destination, but in its cosmopolitanism, comprehensive global worldview and cultural diversity. This cosmopolitan pearl is my island, my pride. I welcome you to make it



people's independence and a solid upward trajectory on the world's stage. In relative contrast to its size, the grandeur of this island, that many locals and visitors alike call home, lies not only in its beautiful beaches, congenial hospitality and worldwide ascription

yours.

- About the Author. A successful entrepreneur, international educator, humanitarian project coordinator and world-traveler, Amoriza Gunnink is a proud Aruban currently residing in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

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Their favorite time of day is when the sun sets and the music gets going; that is also how they found MooMba some ten years ago. They just followed the music and voila.

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ATECH Conference News: Women Taking Over Coding!

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ATECH Conference will take place on August 27, 28 and 29 at the Hilton Hotel Aruba, hosting over 20 speakers whom will be presenting topics such as 'creative talk tech'. Amongst the speakers are successful international professionals who will know how to position Aruba as the Silicon Beach of the region. Looking at the current in-



ternational trend it can be concluded that the interest to be part of the technology industry is growing rapidly amongst a vast group of young women. In a re-

cent article published by CBS, founder of 'Girl who Code' Reshma Saujani, indicates that you can actually lift an entire generation out of poverty through learning computer science and put these young girls on a track to making six figure salaries. This leads to less poverty in the world-wide. This is one example of a woman who codes, a phenomenon that is breaking barriers resulting in many successful startups with female leaders. Another example is that of Karlie Kloss, Victoria Secret's supermodel, whom



strongly believes in educating women to enter the fascinating world of coding. Having attended Flatiron University herself, she founded a scholarship program to motivate the ladies attending the University to start coding at a young age.

The introduction of coding amongst women will surely create huge job possibilities, whereas women nowadays are working independent rather than being dependent of a boss. More so being business owners. In Aruba lies the opportunity for this new trend which is one of the reason why the peers behind ATECH* sought to organize this phenomenal conference. It is a growing trend and with ATECH* Aruba will be positioned as the nr.1 hub in this industry. For more information about ATECH Conference visit www.atechconference.com



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Murphy has big hit, Mets beat Rockies 4-2

NEW YORK (AP) — Daniel Murphy drove in two runs with a tiebreaking single in the seventh inning as the Mets came back for a 4-2 victory over Colorado on Monday night.

The Mets wasted three-run leads in two straight losses to Tampa Bay last weekend, then went ahead against Colorado on Travis d'Arnaud's first homer since June 20. It was the only hit for the NL East leaders off Jon Gray, the hard-throwing right-hander making his second major league start.

Carlos Gonzalez hit a two-run shot in the fourth off Jonathon Niese (7-9). It was Gonzalez's 13th homer since the All-Star break.

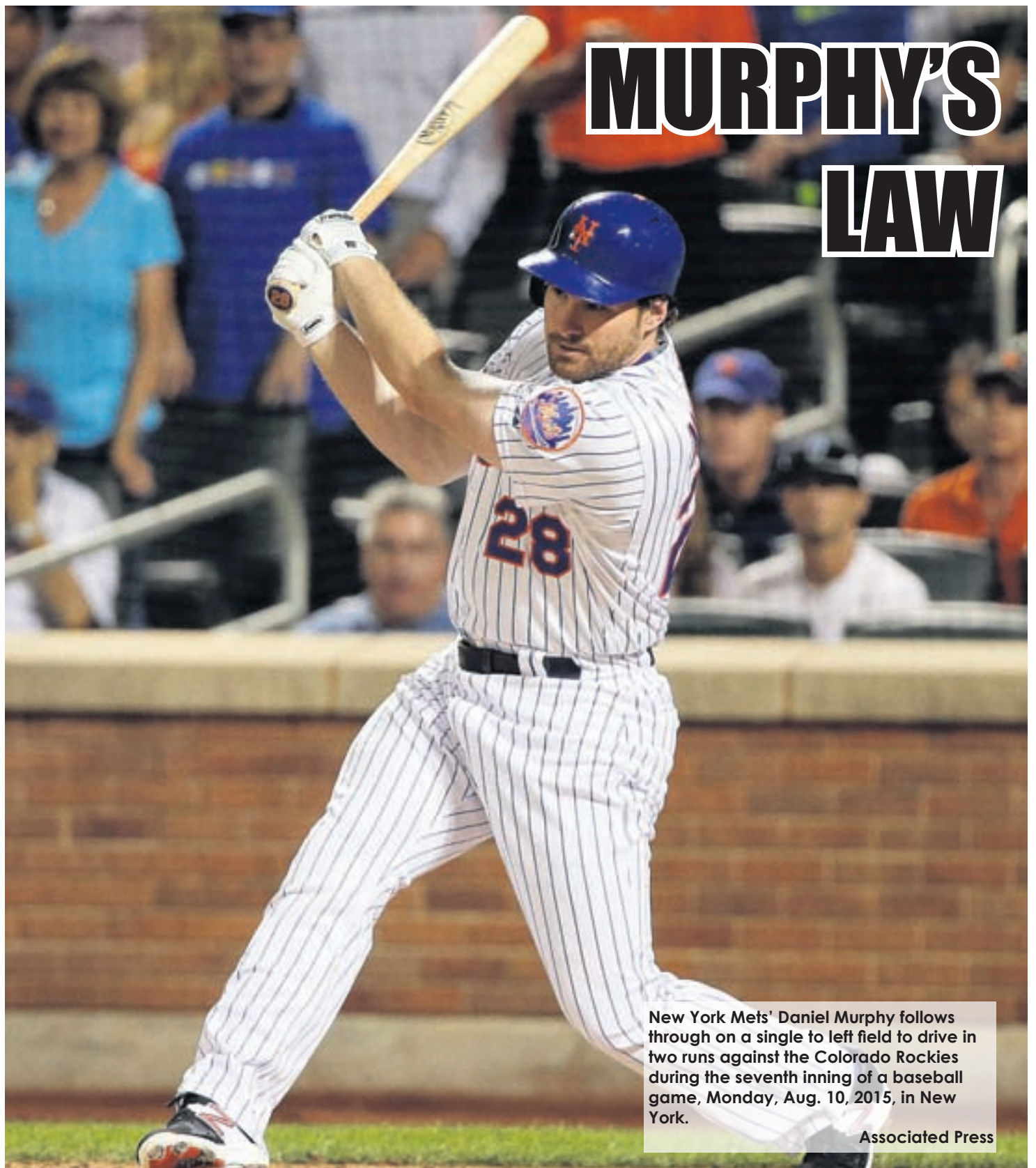
The Mets loaded the bases against Justin Miller (1-1) in the seventh after Gray, the No. 3 overall draft pick in 2013, was pulled after 75 pitches. Miller gave up a single to d'Arnaud, walked Michael Conforto and Ruben Tejada. Boone Logan entered and hit Curtis Granderson with a full-count pitch to tie it.

Murphy then grounded a single past diving shortstop Jose Reyes for a 4-2 lead.

DIAMONDBACKS 13, PHILLIES 3

PHOENIX (AP) — Wellington Castillo equaled a career high with four RBIs, and Yasmany Tomas and A.J. Pollock homered to lead Arizona.

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MURPHY'S LAW

New York Mets' Daniel Murphy follows through on a single to left field to drive in two runs against the Colorado Rockies during the seventh inning of a baseball game, Monday, Aug. 10, 2015, in New York.

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Home plate umpire Tony Randazzo and San Diego Padres manager Pat Murphy go face to face after Randazzo ejected Murphy in the fourth inning of a baseball game against the Cincinnati Reds Monday, Aug. 10, 2015, in San Diego.

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Arizona scored three runs in the fifth to break a 2-2 tie, highlighted by Castillo's solo shot with two outs. Castillo has eight home runs and 14 RBIs in his last 12 games.

Castillo went deep to center in the fifth for his 15th home run and a 5-2 lead. The Diamondbacks put up six runs in the sixth with Castillo driving in three with a triple and scoring on a single by Tomas.

Peralta finished 3 for 5 with two RBIs and Pollock had three hits.

Phillies starter Aaron Harang (5-13) left after 5 1-3 innings having allowed eight runs and 12 hits.

Arizona starter Rubby De La Rosa (10-5) lasted six innings and allowed three runs and eight hits.

NATIONALS 8, DODGERS 3

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gio Gonzalez scattered seven hits over eight scoreless innings and Ian Desmond hit two homers as Washington kicked off a 10-game trip. Gonzalez (9-4) struck out six, walked one and stranded eight runners. The left-hander is 5-0 with a 1.48 ERA in eight starts since losing 6-1 at Tampa Bay on June 15.

Brett Anderson (6-7) was charged with seven runs and 10 hits through five-plus innings.

Carl Crawford hit a three-

run shot in the ninth off Doug Fister, the first pinch-hit homer of his career.

The Dodgers' four-game losing streak is their first since Sept. 2-13. They were the only team this season that hadn't lost more than three straight.

PADRES 2, REDS 1

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Justin Upton hit a two-run homer as San Diego snapped a six-game losing streak.

Ian Kennedy pitched five innings for the win, backed up by four relievers who did not permit a run to the Reds, who have lost five of six. Kennedy (7-10) was charged with two hits and a season-high six walks. He struck out four while improving to 5-1 against the Reds.

Craig Kimbrel pitched the ninth for his 32nd save in 34 chances. It was his first save since Aug. 1.

David Holmberg (1-1) worked 6 2-3 innings for the Reds. □

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Cueto beats Tigers 4-0 in his Royals' home debut

ROYALS 4, TIGERS 0

KANSAS CITY, Missouri (AP) — Johnny Cueto threw a four-hitter in his home debut with the Royals.

Cueto (1-1) did not allow a runner past second base, struck out eight and walked none. It was his sixth career shutout and second this season. Cueto was acquired from Cincinnati on July 26 for three pitching prospects.

Tigers lefty Matt Boyd, who was acquired from Toronto on July 30 in the David Price trade, gave up three runs in the first inning.

Boyd (1-3), who beat Cueto and the Royals 2-1 last Wednesday when he allowed seven hits and one run over seven innings in his Tigers debut, gave up singles to Alcides Escobar and Ben Zobrist on his first two pitches.

Lorenzo Cain doubled to center, scoring both. Kendrys Morales' one-out single produced the third run of the inning.

WHITE SOX 8, ANGELS 2

CHICAGO (AP) — Chris Sale allowed two runs and five hits in 7 1-3 innings, and Avisail Garcia homered twice to drive in four runs for the White Sox.

Tyler Flowers added a solo shot to back Sale (10-7), who didn't allow more than one baserunner in an inning until Johnny Giavotella drove in two runs with a double in the seventh.

Angels starter Matt Shoemaker (5-8) had thrown 19 consecutive scoreless innings before Melky Cabrera's sacrifice fly put Chicago ahead 1-0 in the first.

Shoemaker hadn't allowed a run in his last three starts, but was tagged for seven and nine hits in 5 2-3 innings as Los Angeles dropped its seventh straight on the road.

Garcia had his third career multihomer game to reach 11 for the season, and his three-run drive was the big blow as the White Sox sent nine hitters to the plate and pulled away with a four-run sixth.

ORIOLES 3, MARINERS 2

SEATTLE (AP) — Chris Davis hit a go-ahead single and his 30th home run for Baltimore.

Adam Jones launched his 18th homer in the first inning off Seattle starter Vidal Nuno (0-1) and scored on Davis' base hit in the fourth. Davis then hit a line drive out to center off reliever Mayckol Guaipe in the sixth.

Davis reached 30 homers for the third time in four years. He led the majors with 53 in 2013.

Seattle slugger Nelson Cruz extended his hitting streak to a career-high 20 games with an opposite-field single leading off the fourth. His streak of nine straight games with an extra-base hit came to an end.

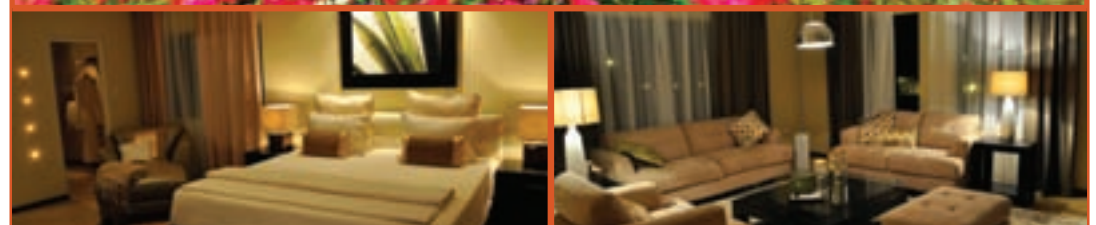
Chen Wei-yin (6-6) won for the second time since July 1, pitching into the eighth inning. Chen allowed only Franklin Gutierrez's home run leading off the second. The lefty gave up three hits. He struck out five and retired 13 of his final 14 batters.

Zach Britton got five outs for his 24th straight save. □



Kansas City Royals starting pitcher Johnny Cueto, left, is congratulated by catcher Salvador Perez, right, following a baseball game against the Detroit Tigers at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Mo., Monday, Aug. 10, 2015. The Royals defeated the Tigers 4-0.

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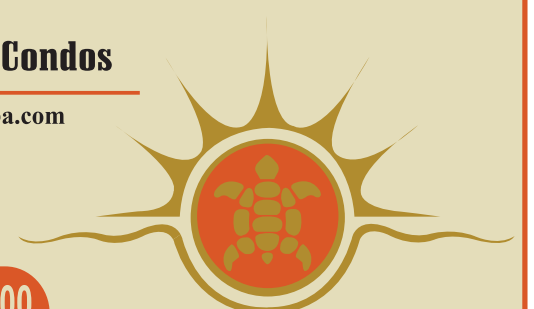


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Serena Williams beats Flavia Pennetta in Toronto

TORONTO (AP) — Top-ranked Serena Williams rebounded to beat Italy's Flavia Pennetta 2-6, 6-3, 6-0 on Tuesday in the first round of the WTA Tour's Rogers Cup.

"I was really frustrated with how I was playing," Williams said. "And then I got really angry. ...

So I said, 'Serena, you're going to have to be positive and be good to yourself out here.'"

The 21-time Grand Slam winner won a day after sister Venus Williams was eliminated in straight sets by Germany's Sabine Lisicki.

The 33-year-old Williams blamed unforced errors for her early struggles.

"It was a good opportunity for me because I haven't played a match on hard courts since April-ish, early, early April,

after Miami," Williams said. "It was a long time ago. So I think it was really good



Serena Williams, of the United States, reacts to a point on her way to defeating Flavia Pennetta, of Italy, at the Rogers Cup tennis tournament Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015, in Toronto.

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for me to have that match play."

Williams won the first of her three Toronto titles in 2001.

"Like a nice vintage wine,

Williams said. "A good vintage red wine, I'd say, getting better with age, I hope."

Also, France's Alize Cornet

upset ninth-seeded Carla Suarez Navarro of Spain 6-3, 6-7 (2), 6-4, qualifier Mirjana Lucic-Baroni of Croatia beat 10th-seeded Karolina

Pliskova 3-6, 7-6(5), 6-2, and No. 11 Ekaterina Makarova of Russia topped American qualifier Anna Tatishvili 6-3, 6-3. □

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Woods comes to PGA with modest goal: get better

DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

SHEBOYGAN, Wis. (AP) — Tiger Woods knows the concept of going through a transition, just not the numbers associated with this one.

His world ranking is No. 278. Throw out some of the past champions and the 20 club pros at the PGA Championship, and his ranking is the worst of all but two players at Whistling Straits — Nick Taylor and Darren Clarke. He has not won a tournament in two years, and he has only one top 10 on the PGA Tour since.

And while his winless streak in the majors is at 23 dating to the 2008 U.S. Open, only once in the last six years has he gone into the final round within three shots or fewer of the lead.

That was at Muirfield two years ago, and he closed with a 74 to finish five shots behind.

This is the new world of Woods at the majors. Expectations are lower than ever.

There wasn't a lot of talk about Woods winning the PGA Championship. His main theme was taking baby steps.

"I'm just trying to get better," Woods said after playing nine holes with Davis Love III. "I'm just trying to get up there where I can win tournaments, get my game organized so I can be consistent on a tournament basis where I'm going to give myself a chance to win each and every event I play in."

That's what I have done over most of my career. And I'd like to get to that point again where I could do it."

Even if expectations are low, he is still Tiger Woods. He had one of the largest galleries for a morning practice round at Whistling Straits, and he stopped to sign autographs heading to the next tee, which is unusual for him. Hundreds of fans stood below the steps of the media center when

they saw Woods walk in, all of them holding flags for him to sign.

Woods, who turns 40 at the end of the year, made it clear at the Memorial (where he shot a career-high 85) that he was in this for the long haul. Different from past swing changes is that he is coping with what he keeps calling a "perfect storm" because the switch followed back surgery and recovery that cost him half the 2014 season.

Steve Stricker played with him two days at The Greenbrier Classic, where Woods tied for 32nd while posting his lowest 72-hole score (273) since his last win.

"He's going through some down times," Stricker said. "It looks like he's getting things pushed back into shape and he's getting stronger and healthier. I've talked to him. He's feeling better. And it's just about getting that confidence level back, him settling on what he wants to do with his swing and going from there, and then that confidence level will come back. ... I expect him to get it back and get it going again."

Still, it's odd for Woods to be at a major and attract so little attention.

The majors this year have been about Jordan Spieth, the Masters and U.S. Open champion who missed by one shot a chance at the third leg of the Grand Slam at St. Andrews. Still in play at Whistling Straits is a chance to sweep the U.S. majors, which has never been done.

Rory McIlroy, the world's No. 1 player, returns from an ankle injury that has kept him out since the U.S. Open. Dustin Johnson has had at least a share of the lead in four rounds at the

majors this year and comes back to the course where a two-shot penalty on the final hole cost him a spot in the playoff.

Zach Johnson goes for back-to-back majors. Jason Day is trying to win his first after being in contention in the last two.

It's a long list.

And at the moment, that list doesn't include Woods. The greatest player of his generation, at the moment, is an afterthought.

Woods was going through swing changes during his two previous trips to Whistling Straits — with Hank Haney in 2004 (tie for 24th) and he was just starting to work with Sean Foley in 2010 (tie for 28th). So it's not as if he has positive memories from this course.

"Tiger's game has been flat-lined for the last couple years, and we're starting to see a sign here or there that he might be able to orchestrate something at Whistling Straits," longtime friend Notah Begay III said. "But it's not a golf course that particularly suits his eye or his game."

Woods was in contention going into the weekend at his Quicken Loans National until fading badly, but it was a step. Barring a turnaround, this likely will be his last event of the season. He is at No. 186 in the FedEx Cup, and only the top 125 qualify for the playoffs.

"I'm not looking at it like that at all," Woods said. "I'm just trying to get my game better for years to come. ... I'm here now in this position, and as far as my tournament future, if I play well, I play well and I'll play in more events. If I don't, then I have more time to practice and get ready for the following events the next season." □



Tiger Woods talks in the media room after a practice round for the PGA Championship golf tournament Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015, at Whistling Straits in Haven, Wis.

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Water is a premium for us who live in Aruba. With no fresh water aquifer we need to desalinate ocean water for our fresh water. To add to the challenges of growing a tropical garden rain falls on our semi-arid island all at once; never giving our parched soil time to absorb moisture.

Rain drains to the ocean through arroyos, dry gulches that are wet only after heavy rain. As a partial solution the government maintains rainfall dams built across an arroyo in order to create a reservoir from which we may pump water for our desiccated gardens.

Phyllis and I enjoy drives through the Aruban countryside or "cunucu." Driving by a dam in the blazing sun is a pleasant scene. Many times we look at the birds taking advantage of this endowment and wonder why the water in this heat does not boil away. Looking at the dam and the arroyo that feeds it my thoughts turn to the many patients that have problems with their body's dam, the urinary bladder.

The urinary system is sterile and bacteria-free and should provide no problems for the urinary bladder. Unfortunately, urinary tract infections (UTI) are a common health problem affecting millions of people each year. Regular allopathic medicine believes that UTI occurs

when bacteria invade the urinary system and multiply. Doctors classify three types of urinary tract infections: urethritis, which is an infection of the urethra; cystitis, which is an infection of the bladder; and pyelonephritis, which is infection of the kidney. An infection that moves into the kidneys can become life threatening.

Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) has been treating UTI successfully for a long time. The Yellow Emperor's Classic of Medicine, written 2300 years ago, explored effective treatments using acupuncture and herbal treatments that we still use today.

The urinary tract is comprised of the two kidneys, the ureters, and the tubes that connect the kidneys to the bladder, the dam reservoir, the bladder, and the urethra, the arroyo or channel that carries urine from the bladder out of the body. In TCM this system called the Lower Burner is responsible for separating "clean" body fluids from "dirty" fluids, and facilitates the excretion of urine from the body.

Based on Pasteur's work, allopathic medicine claims that bacteria, virus, and fungus are the cause of urinary tract infections. The main weapons in conventional medicine's arsenal are antibiotics to kill bacteria, and other symptom-relieving drugs for pain. They believe that be-

cause the urethra is shorter in women, bacteria can enter the urinary system easier than in men, and up to 50% of all women will experience at least one UTI in their lifetime. Why these pathogens cause problems is not addressed.

Of people that have bladder infections, approximately 80% will see reoccurrences; so much for the medications designed to provide relief. Women are more likely to have bladder infections, and the risk of an infection increases with age, use of a catheter, and in people with diabetes.

People who develop a UTI will feel a sense of pain on urination, either in the bladder itself or in the urethra, where the urine comes out. The pain is often burning. You may also notice that you have to urinate frequently, and that, once the urge hits, you have to make a dash for the bathroom. If your infection is severe, you may notice some blood in your urine or feel pain in the mid back, over the kidneys.

In our clinic we diagnose Damp Heat in the body, and Spleen and Kidney Deficiency. Traditional Chinese medicine, which has been evolving for several thousand years, does not have a "germ theory" of disease. However, diagnosis and treatment are based on careful observation and time-tested approaches to disease and injury. Symptoms are grouped into patterns and then typically treated with acupuncture and herbal formulas, as well as dietary modifications and other lifestyle recommenda-

tions.

Damp Heat accumulation can be due to the consumption of hot spicy foods, meals high in fats and sweets, alcohol consumption, certain medications, and improper personal hygiene. Spleen and Kidney Deficiency develops in chronic illness, aging, pregnancy, menopause, and emotional stress. I use acupuncture to ease the back and abdomen pain and to allow the damp heat prevalent during hurricane season, the opportunity to run off. Acupuncture and natural herbs will support your spleen and kidney energy.

These TCM patterns of bladder problems make your urine "boil" so make sure you drink as much water as you possibly can during an acute bladder infection and whenever you have any infection, cut out sweets and simple carbohydrates. Avoid caffeine and nicotine, which irritate the bladder. Vitamin C can also be helpful. The best remedy we have found is an all-natural sugar compound, D- manose occurs naturally in peaches, apples, and berries, especially cranberries. You may have heard that cranberry juice can be a remedy for UTI. We recommend you use only unsweetened 100% pure cranberry juice as processed juice has too much sugar in it to be helpful.

Get The Point! Most doctors think that antibiotics are the only solution to bladder infections, but this is not true. In the majority of cases, acupuncture treatments, healthy diet, homeopathic remedies

and herbs, along with some common-sense lifestyle suggestions can take care of bladder infections quickly and without side effects, such as the yeast infections which will result from antibiotics. Tired of taking the same drugs? Make an appointment for a natural alternative to your boiling dam.

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Google forms a new holding company, 'Alphabet'



This Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013, photo shows Google's headquarters in Mountain View, Calif.

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AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

Google is creating a new company to oversee its highly lucrative Internet business and a growing flock of other ventures, including some — like building self-driving cars and researching ways to prolong human life — that are known more for their ambition than for turning an immediate profit.

The new company will be called "Alphabet," Google CEO and co-founder Larry Page announced Monday. Page said he'll be CEO of the new holding company, while longtime Google executive Sundar Pichai will become CEO of Google's core business, including its search engine, online advertising operation and YouTube video service.

While the company will still use the Google name for those core services, Page said the new structure will provide more in-

dependence for divisions like Nest, which makes Internet-connected home appliances, and Calico, which is conducting cutting-edge health research.

Analysts said the move may also be a nod to Wall Street demands for more fiscal accountability: As part of the reorganization, Page said the company will begin reporting financial results by segments. That should give a clearer picture of how Google's core Internet business is performing, separate from other ventures, said analyst Colin Gillis of the investment firm BGC Partners.

Google reported more than \$14 billion in profit on \$66 billion in sales last year, most of it from lucrative Internet advertising, while other ventures have required large investments without showing immediate returns. The company's stock has surged in recent weeks after a new

chief financial officer signaled some trims in corporate spending.

The reorganization also cements the importance of Pichai, who is viewed by many as a potential successor to Page. Google's other co-founder, Sergey Brin, will be president of the new holding company. With the reorganization, Page signaled that he wants to give more authority to CEOs of the companies that will be part of the new entity known as Alphabet.

"Our company is operating well today, but we think we can make it cleaner and more accountable," he wrote. "We believe this allows us more management scale, as we can run things independently that aren't very related."

Businesses that will operate separately under the Alphabet umbrella include Calico, which Google established to conduct health research

in 2013; Nest, which Google acquired in 2014; Fiber, which is building high-speed broadband networks in several cities; and Google X, the research lab responsible for Google's self-driving car venture and previously developed its controversial Internet headset, known as Glass.

Alphabet will also oversee Google Ventures and Google Capital, two corporate investment entities that focus on early- and growth-stage startups.

Google's YouTube video division, however, will remain part of the core business under Pichai, although Page made a point of praising its chief, longtime ad executive Susan Wojcicki. Google historically has not reported earnings separately for the YouTube business.

"It may not be quite ready yet," Gillis said of YouTube. "Maybe they're going to do a little polishing and work on profitability first."

The new structure could make it easier for Google Inc. to sell off some of its unrelated businesses, or buy new ones, analysts said. Page has suggested previously that he is a fan of Warren Buffett, the famed financier and CEO of Berkshire Hathaway. Buffett's conglomerate owns more than 80 subsidiary companies and lets each operate with substantial independence. Google said its chief financial officer, Ruth Porat, will hold the same title for both Google and Alphabet. Once the reorganization is complete, the company says its two existing classes of publicly traded stock will continue to trade on the Nasdaq exchange under the ticker symbols "GOOG" and "GOOGL." Both classes of the Mountain View, California, company's stock rose more than 6 percent in after-hours trading following the announcement Monday afternoon. □

Wall Street, oil sink after China currency move

STEVE ROTHWELL
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A move by China's government to devalue its currency set off a sharp sell-off in global financial markets Tuesday as investors worried about the health of the world's

per and other commodity prices fell as traders anticipated weaker demand from China. That led to big drops energy and materials stocks. Companies that derive a large part of their sales from China, like Apple and Yum Brands, also

age lost 212.33 points, or 1.2 percent, to 17,402.84. The Nasdaq composite index fell 65.01 points, or 1.3 percent, to 5,036.79. The Chinese government allowed the yuan to fall 1.9 percent, the biggest one-day drop in a decade. In

sales from China. The company said last month that it was expecting a strong second-half of the year in China. Yum fell \$4.28, or 4.9 percent, to \$83.54.

Apple, another company that makes a lot of money in China, dropped \$6.23, or 5.2 percent, to \$113.49 and Wynn Resorts, which generates more than half of its revenue from the Chinese gambling hub of Macau, slipped \$2.39, or 4.3 percent, to \$54.36.

The price of oil had another big drop, closing at its lowest level in six years. Oil prices also fell after OPEC said its production increased to a 3-year high, adding further evidence of a global supply glut. U.S. crude fell \$1.88 to settle at \$43.08 a barrel in New York, its lowest close since March of 2009. Brent crude, a benchmark for international oils used by many U.S. refineries, fell \$1.23 to close at \$49.18 in London.

The losses for stocks on Tuesday wiped out a large part of the gains from a day earlier, when the market logged its largest advance in three months as the price of oil logged a big gain and some corporate deal news boosted investor sentiment.

Investors shouldn't be too worried by the big moves in market prices, said David Kelly, chief Global Strategist at JPMorgan Funds, because the moves were likely being exacerbated by low trading activity during the summer months. □



Trader Richard Deviccaro, center, works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. A move by China's government to devalue its currency set off a sharp sell-off in global financial markets Tuesday as investors worried about the health of the world's second-largest economy.

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second-largest economy.

China's government said the move to weaken the yuan was a result of reforms intended to make its exchange rate more market-oriented. However, most investors interpreted the action as an attempt by authorities to stimulate a slowing economy. A cheaper yuan will benefit China's exports by making them less expensive overseas.

The move triggered a wave of selling. Oil, cop-

per and other commodity

prices fell as traders anticipated weaker demand from China. That led to big drops energy and materials stocks. Companies that derive a large part of their sales from China, like Apple and Yum Brands, also

fell sharply. "China is the second-largest economy in the world, and they are certainly going through a stage right now where growth is not as robust as it has been," said Michael Scanlon, a managing director at John Hancock Asset Management. "China is one of the biggest risks to the equity market as a whole."

The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 20.11 points, or 1 percent, to 2,084.07. The Dow Jones industrial aver-

recent months, the yuan has strengthened along with the U.S. dollar, hurting Chinese exporters. China's exports fell by an unexpectedly large 8.3 percent in July. The yuan was valued at 6.32 per dollar on Tuesday, compared with 6.21 per dollar a day earlier.

Symantec to sell Veritas business for \$8B in cash

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AP) — Symantec will sell its Veritas information management business for \$8 billion in cash with plans to funnel proceeds back into its main line of work, cybersecurity, and to buy back shares.

The move was cheered by analysts who said the under-performing division was a drag on the company. But Symantec's stock tumbled more than 6 percent after the company reported revenue and earnings below estimates

for the last quarter.

The Mountain View, California, company said Tuesday that the private equity investment firm The Carlyle Group and Singapore's sovereign wealth fund, GIC, will acquire the business in a deal expected to close Jan 1.

Symantec Corp. anticipates receiving about \$6.3 billion in net proceeds. It said the sale will give it a financial foundation to expand its computer-security business and return capital to shareholders.

Symantec had previously announced plans to separate into two companies last fall.

"We applaud the sale," said FBR Capital Markets analyst Daniel Ives, in a note to investors. But he added that Symantec "has its work cut out" as it seeks to resume growth in coming months.

The company also announced Tuesday that its board approved a \$1.5 billion increase in its share buyback program, and it has decided to maintain

its quarterly cash dividend at 15 cents per share.

Companies often say share repurchases help shareholders, because theoretically they cut down on the total number of shares and thus boost earnings per share. But critics say that repurchases don't usually lower the number of shares outstanding because companies can also issue more shares, and buybacks also divert money that might be spent on new infrastructure or hiring. □

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Administrators picked for Dutch Royal Imtech NV

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — A Dutch court is allowing struggling industrial services group Royal Imtech NV to suspend payments and has appointed administrators to a company battling for survival.

Imtech, which has 22,000 staff worldwide, provides technical services to projects such as the new Berlin airport. It hit financial hard times after being rocked by fraud scandals in Germany and Poland. The company said in a statement Tuesday that suspending payments "may optimize the chances that substantial parts of the Imtech Group may continue in the interest of all stakeholders and specifically our employees." The announcement came less than a week after Imtech's German division filed for insolvency. Imtech shares have slumped nearly 90 percent on the Amsterdam stock exchange in the last five days to just 32 cents (\$0.35) by late Tuesday morning.

Optimism about German economy declines again

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — A key poll of investment analysts shows their outlook for the German economy has slipped for the fifth month in a row because of doubts that growth will improve much.

The ZEW indicator of economic sentiment fell to 25.0 points in August from 29.7 points the month before. Despite the decline, the index remains near its long-term average of 24.9, meaning the outlook is still upbeat for Europe's biggest economy, which is enjoying low unemployment and respectable growth. ZEW head Clemens Fuest said Tuesday that while the German economy remains in relatively good shape, "under the current geopolitical and global economic circumstances a substantial improvement" can't be expected. □

A look at stock market scams using the latest technology

NEW YORK (AP) — Stock scams are about as old as the market itself, but the combination of worldwide information technology and automated programs that can make thousands of trades in a second has created new paths for potential frauds. The U.S. government says alleged scammers have used methods including rapid trades, fake regulatory filings and news reports to get an advantage and make profits.

Here are a few examples:

— In May 2010 the Dow Jones industrial average plunged 600 points in about five minutes and closed with a loss of 348 points. Regulators said the dive was triggered by a computerized selling program, and in April 2015 the U.S. government filed criminal charges against British futures trader Navinder Singh Sarao. The U.S. Department of Justice said Sarao used an automated trading program to manipulate the market and charged him with fraud and commodities manipulation. Sarao has said he was merely good at his job.

— Shares of Avon Products rose as much as 20 percent in May after a false Securities and Exchange Commission filing said an investment firm wanted to buy the cosmetics retailer for \$8 billion. That was a big premium for a company that had struggled with falling sales and reduced revenue. In May the SEC sued a Bulgarian man, Nedko Nedev, and said he and five others violated securities laws by creating fake takeover offers. The SEC said Nedev also made fake bids for Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory in 2012 and insurer Tower Group International in 2014.

— In July, Twitter's stock climbed as much as 8.5 percent after a fake story said the short messaging service received a \$31 billion buyout offer. That, too, was a significant premium to Twitter's market cap at the time, and it came as investors worried about Twitter's losses and its user growth. The story appeared on a website that mimicked the business news page of Bloomberg. Twitter shares returned most of those gains after Bloomberg said the story was a fake.

— On Tuesday the U.S. government said a group of hackers and securities brokers broke into the computer systems of three companies that publish news releases and traded on the information in hundreds of press releases before the public saw them. The Justice Department says the group had members in Ukraine and the U.S., and it made \$100 million over the years from trading shares of heavy machinery maker Caterpillar, Invisalign braces maker Align Technology, and other companies based on the unpublished releases.

Robert Heim, a former lawyer at the SEC, said these kinds of schemes will probably persist because news spreads so fast over social media and traders have to react so quickly. He compared the fake offer for Twitter to a pump and dump fraud as well.

"Instead of having a room full of cold callers calling up investors and pitching a stock, now people can set up a website in a day or so, often on their own, and publish a fake news story to be able to trade on the securities before the truth comes out."

Automated trading programs that act based on increased trading volume and prices can magnify the effect of the scams, he added. Heim said retail investors should be careful and make sure news stories are verified before they made trades based on them. □

Utilizing stolen news releases: Hacking ring accused of scamming \$100M

DAVID PORTER

Associated Press

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — An international web of hackers and traders made \$100 million on Wall Street by stealing a look at corporate press releases before they went out and then trading on that information ahead

risks posed for our global markets by today's sophisticated hackers," SEC chief Mary Jo White said. "Today's international case is unprecedented in terms of the scope of the hacking at issue, the number of traders involved, the number of securities unlawfully

ample, the group traded more than 75,000 shares of Panera Bread Co. stock in a little over an hour and made \$900,000, authorities said.

A strong earnings report or other positive news can cause a company's stock to rise, while disappointing



United States Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson, center, speaks during a news conference in Newark, N.J., Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015. An international group of hackers and stock traders made \$30 million by breaking into the computers of newswire services that put out corporate press releases and trading on the information before it was made public, federal prosecutors said Tuesday. (AP Photo/Seth Wenig)

of the pack, federal authorities charged Tuesday. Authorities said it was the biggest scheme of its kind ever prosecuted, and one that demonstrated yet another way in which the financial world is vulnerable to cybercrime.

In an insider-trading scandal with a 21st-century twist, the hackers pulled it off by breaking into the computers of some of the biggest business newswire services, which put out earnings announcements and other press releases for a multitude of corporations.

Nine people in the U.S. and Ukraine were indicted on federal criminal charges, including securities fraud, computer fraud and conspiracy. And the Securities and Exchange Commission brought civil charges against the nine plus 23 other people and companies in the U.S. and Europe. The case "illustrates the

traded and the amount of profits generated."

The nine indicted include two people described as Ukrainian computer hackers and six stock traders. Prosecutors said the defendants made \$30 million from their part of the scheme.

Authorities said that beginning in 2010 and continuing as recently as May, the hackers gained access to more than 150,000 press releases that were about to be issued by Marketwired of Toronto; PR Newswire in New York; and Business Wire of San Francisco. The press releases contained earnings figures and other corporate information.

The defendants then used roughly 800 of those news releases to make trades before the information came out, exploiting a time gap ranging from hours to three days, prosecutors said.

In one day in 2013, for ex-

news can make it fall. The conspirators typically used the advance information to buy stock options, which are essentially a bet on the direction a stock will move, authorities said.

The hackers were paid a cut of the profits, prosecutors alleged.

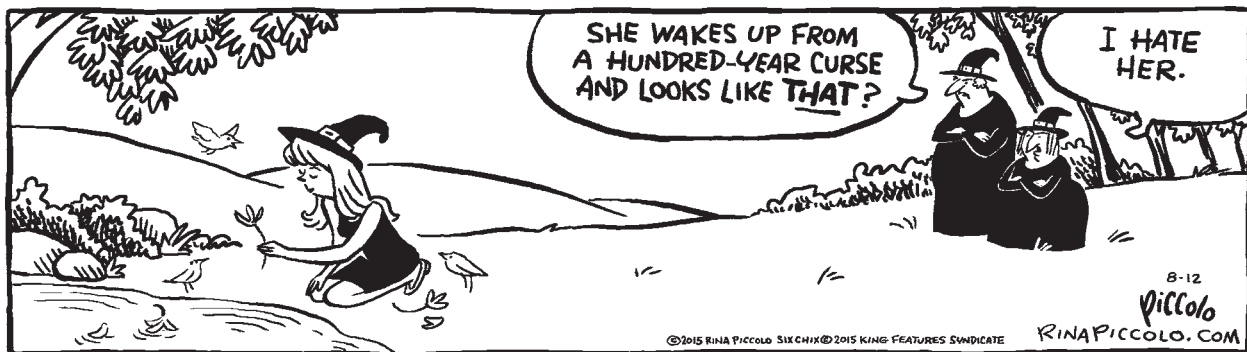
"This is the story of a traditional securities fraud scheme with a twist — one that employed a contemporary approach to a conventional crime," said Diego Rodriguez, head of the FBI's New York office. Five defendants were arrested in the U.S. on Tuesday, and warrants were issued for four others in Ukraine.

Among those charged were Pavel, Igor and Arkadiy Dubovoy. Authorities said they are related but didn't say how. Arkadiy and Igor were arrested at their homes in Alpharetta, Georgia. Pavel was believed to be in Ukraine. □

Mutts



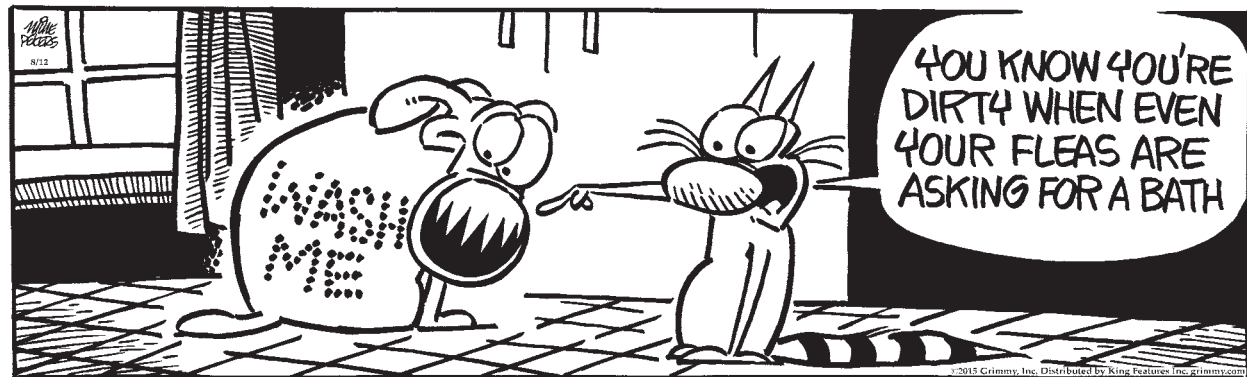
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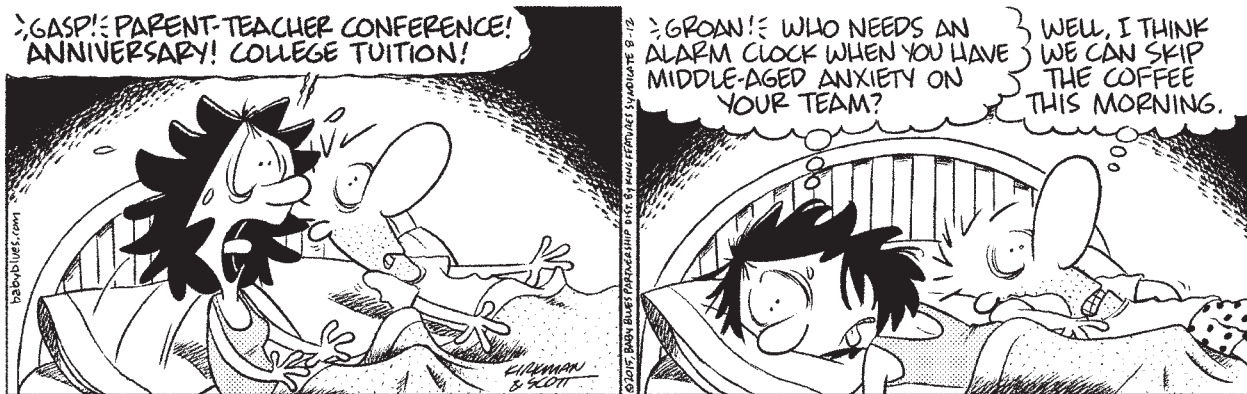
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Conceptis Sudoku

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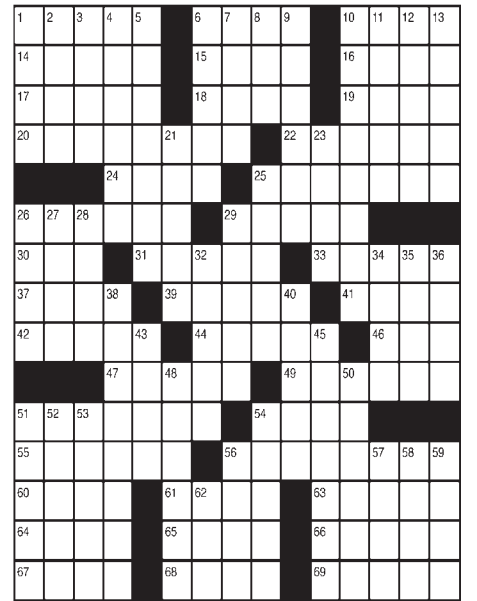
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Yesterday's puzzle answer

7	1	3	4	2	9	6	5	8
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4	2	9	8	6	5	7	3	1
9	7	8	3	4	6	1	2	5
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ACROSS

- Luxuriously thick and soft
- Paper fastener
- Left open a bit
- Vital artery
- First name for a Frenchman
- __ pops; soft drinks
- Located near the center
- Actor George
- Hosiery woe
- Abandoned
- Cold period in history
- Passed away
- Combs & __; stylist's items
- Become sicker
- Sword fights
- Sorority letter
- Tribal pole
- "Annabel Lee" and "Trees"
- Feels sick
- Freeway entrances
- Metal bar
- __ bear; white Arctic creature
- True-blue
- Glide down snowy slopes
- Sour fruit
- Talented
- Age for a girl's quinceañera
- Minimum __; lowest salary allowed by law
- Floating freely
- Jumble
- Three-__ salad
- Made fun of
- Off the __; no longer being considered
- Walkway
- __ up; form a row
- Actress Burstyn
- Antlered animals
- Astonish
- Requirements



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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

DOWN

- __ for; bought
- "The __ Star State"; Texas
- Fancy vases
- Spirited horses
- Mrs. Ozzie Nelson
- Raise dogs for sale or show
- Enjoy a book
- "Heart __ Soul"
- Want
- Property value determiner
- Whale's lunch?
- Old saying
- Hits the ceiling
- Singing voice
- Actor Robert
- Not smooth
- Envelop
- Midwest state
- __ the dice; take a chance
- Speed __; one who drives fast
- Claw
- Direction

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SETS	EARN	REST

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- Soda crackers
- Long stories
- Rocky ridge
- Illuminate
- Iron & copper
- Girl or woman
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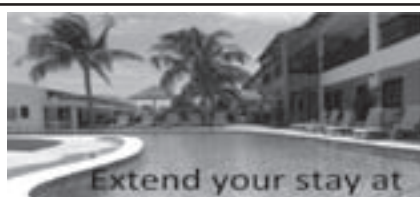
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Feuding U.S. families help pinpoint historic battle site

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Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Kentucky (AP)

— The names Hatfield and McCoy are synonymous with feuding in the U.S., etched in American history for their famous deadly fights. So it was an unlikely sight when descendants of both clans worked side by side to help archaeologists unearth artifacts from one of the bloodiest sites in the feud.

The leader of the dig says they have pinpointed the place where Randolph McCoy's home was set ablaze in the woods of eastern Kentucky during a murderous New Year's attack by the Hatfields.

Many believe the feud was rooted in the American Civil War of the 1860s, but the bitterness was perpetuated by disputes over timber rights and even a pig. The fighting claimed at least a dozen lives by 1888. The feud officially ended in 2003, when descendants of the families signed a truce.

Two McCoy's were gunned down in the 1888 ambush on Randolph McCoy's homestead. It marked a turning point in their battle waged in Kentucky and West Virginia, led by family patriarchs William Anderson "Devil Anse" Hatfield and Randolph "Ole Ran'l" McCoy.

The 10-day excavation focused on a back corner of the homestead. Archaeologists and volunteers — including descendants from the two families — uncovered charred timber, shell casings, nails, a pulley and fragments of glass and ceramics.

Eddie McCoy had made earlier pilgrimages there, but he said sifting through his ancestral soil was espe-

cially poignant.

"When I was digging through the mud and big chunks of burned wood started coming out, it just made it so real," he said this week. "I had to actually pause for a moment. I

dig," McBride said. "With more work, we were able to confirm that suspicion. We think the house sat a little bit further back."

The back corner of the homestead was the area least disturbed by devel-

opment, McBride said. "With more work, we were able to confirm that suspicion. We think the house sat a little bit further back."

The Hatfield and McCoy Heritage Days from Sept. 24-26 in Pikeville, Kentucky, will include a Hatfield-McCoy paintball tournament, music and local crafts.

"The characters are just so amazing and so complex and so human," said feud expert Bill Richardson, an extension associate professor for West Virginia University. "They have all those human faults — greed,



In this Nov. 19, 2014 photo made available by Bill Richardson, shows the descendants of the Hatfield and Mc Coy families clearing the homesite of Randall McCoy in Pike County, KY.

just could not believe I was being able to literally dig into my family's past."

A 2012 dig had given excavators some understanding of the McCoy homestead. The team decided the actual site wasn't quite where they thought it was, said Kim McBride, co-director of the Kentucky Archaeological Survey. She led the archaeological teams on both digs.

"We had some suspicions that we weren't quite in the right place at the first

opment, McBride said.

In a region slammed by a slumping coal industry, better identifying the McCoy homestead could help lure visitors.

The property is owned by Hatfield descendant Bob Scott, who would like to build a replica cabin on the same spot.

"We're trying to preserve the heritage of the Hatfield-McCoy feud," he said. "People like to get off the beaten path sometimes."

Pike County tourism offi-

Across the border, West Virginia tourism officials also are trying to capitalize on interest in the feud.

A 2012 History Channel miniseries about the feud helped stir up new interest. And the National Geographic Channel series "Diggers" will focus on the feud and the most recent dig in an episode airing Monday night.

The saga even included an ill-fated love affair between Johnse Hatfield and Roseanna McCoy.

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jealousy and lust. Honestly, it's like a Shakespearean play but it's true."

The families now share a kinship, said Eddie McCoy, who lives in South Carolina. During the dig, he said, a Hatfield descendant apologized for what her family did to his ancestors.

His reply: "You can't be apologetic for what happened in the past and what your ancestor did, because my ancestor did bad things to their family, too." □

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From outlaws to icons: N.W.A. goes big-screen mainstream

SANDY COHEN

AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — When N.W.A. released its 1988 debut album, "Straight Outta Compton," it was vilified by mainstream media. They found the music aggressive, profane and pointedly anti-police. It glorified violence and dehumanized women. Most radio stations refused to play it. It was the birth of gangsta rap, and it was considered dangerous.

A generation later, the leaders of N.W.A. are using "the world's most dangerous group" as a tagline for their big-studio biopic. These days, Ice Cube is a bona fide movie star and producer who counts family fare such as "Are We There Yet" among his many screen credits. Dr. Dre is a celebrated producer who sold his Beats brand to Apple for \$3 billion last year. Both serve as producers of the film, opening Friday. N.W.A. has gone from outlaws to icons.

"The image of the outlaw was how they were identified," said professor Todd Boyd, an expert in race and popular culture who teaches at the University of Southern California. "Over time, things that were considered the domain of the outlaw became mainstream American culture." Still, Cube and others involved in making the "Straight Outta Compton" film say N.W.A. was never a group of outlaws, but artists determined to speak their minds and air what they saw as injustices in their community.

"We were fearless and honest, and we weren't going to let society stop our vision of who we thought we were," Cube said in a recent interview. "I think that

just gained more and more respect as people started to see it wasn't a gimmick, it wasn't a tone, but it was just who we were and who we wanted to be as artists." The biopic shows them not as gangsters, but artists coming of age in a neighborhood full of trouble, although some critics are saying the era's misogyny was glossed over in the film. Cube and Dre started making music together in the mid-1980s, as the crack epidemic was overtaking urban Los Angeles. Gang violence exploded, "Just Say No" was in full swing and police were merciless in trying to eliminate the scourge. With Dre's beats as a backdrop, Cube ditched the boastful battle raps that were in style at the time and started writing about what they witnessed in their daily lives: Gang-bangers and police who seemed to consider all young black men suspicious. They caught the attention of Eazy-E, who would become the group's financier and front man. Along with MC Ren and DJ Yella, the California quintet became N.W.A., which released its first single on Eazy's Ruthless Records. The group's song "(Expletive) the Police" was a cultural flashpoint. Authority figures hated it; young people loved it — and not just those who shared the rappers' experiences with racial profiling. Young people of all ethnicities and economic strata identified with N.W.A.'s energy and anger.

"I think it tapped into the rebellious nature of the youth," said "Compton" director F. Gary Gray, who was among the teenagers moved by the music when it came out. "It transcend-

ed race. It transcended music and genre."

Institutional censure of the group only added to its appeal. Radio stations boycotted the music and there was no Internet, so "Straight Outta Compton" was only available to those who sought it out.

"When you were listening back in the late '80s, it was like you were listening to something that was illicit," Boyd said.

Eazy's 1995 death from AIDS at age 31 cemented his legendary status, but N.W.A.'s shift from marginalized to mainstream was more gradual, part of hip-hop's overall growth over the past 25 years.

"When generations come of age, they bring their culture with them," Boyd said. "There are generations of people now who have grown up only listening to hip-hop and having only understood hip-hop as mainstream culture."

Among them are the young actors who play Cube, Dre and Eazy on screen. For them, N.W.A. has always existed and the group's unrestrained self-expression is a critical part of hip-hop.

"They were the first people to really dig in there in a different way and say things that people weren't trying to hear," said 26-year-old actor Corey Hawkins, who plays Dre. "Things might have changed, things might have become mainstream, but I don't think they changed."

Cube said N.W.A.'s popularity "gave artists a chance to be themselves."

"Without N.W.A., you don't have shows like 'The Osbournes.' You don't have 'South Park.' You don't have Eminem. You don't have Marilyn Manson," he said. "So I just think we



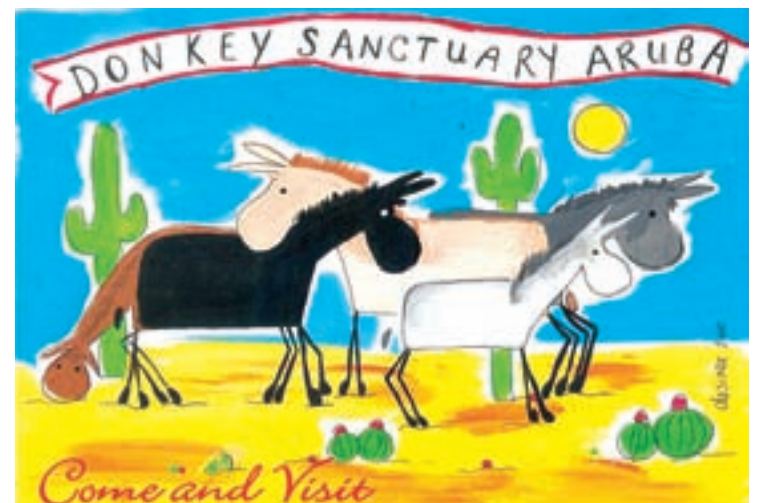
In this Sunday, August 2, 2015 photo, Ice Cube poses for a portrait in promotion of the new film "Straight Outta Compton," at the Four Seasons Hotel in Los Angeles.

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opened up the door for artists to be on any side of the fence they want to be on." Profane content is no longer so risqué. Times have changed, too. The young people who grew up loving "Straight Outta Compton" are now

the ones who green-light movies.

"This is a major motion picture we're talking about, which speaks to cultural relevance in a profound way," Boyd said. "Nobody would have imagined that back in the day." □



Women push for equality, and quality, in country music

KRISTIN M. HALL

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) —

Leslie Fram started seeing the problems that women were facing in country music when she came to Nashville four years ago to lead CMT's music strategy division.

A former rock radio programmer, she immersed herself in the songwriter community and was blown away when she heard Brandy Clark performing at the tiny Bluebird Cafe. Grammy-nominated Clark, an artist who has penned hits for Miranda Lambert and Kacey Musgraves, was not being played on country radio.

"That was an eye opener for me," Fram said. "There were artists that were too



In this April 19, 2015, file photo, country singer Brandy Clark, left, arrives at the 50th annual Academy of Country Music Awards in Arlington, Texas; and in this June 10, 2015 file photo, Tae Dye, left, and Maddie Marlow, of the musical group Maddie & Tae, perform at the CMT Music Awards in Nashville, Tenn.

country for country radio." Frustrated by a decline in the number of female artists and tired of the party song cycle on radio, wom-



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en are trying to take back the microphone and pushing for quality — and equality — in country music.

While country music radio has historically been male-dominated, the issue about the lack of women getting air time picked up steam this spring when radio consultant Keith Hill said country stations that want better ratings should play fewer female artists.

Hill also referred to women as the "tomatoes" of country radio's salad, with male artists like Luke Bryan and Blake Shelton being the leafy greens. That analogy solidified fears that female artists were getting systematically shut out of commercial radio, but Hill defends his argument by saying he is simply giving listeners what they want to hear.

"You're not going to get equality until the behavior of the audience changes," Hill said by phone Monday. The industry publication, Country Aircheck, reported that the percentage of female-voiced singles, which includes bands and solo artists, in the annual top 100 country songs fell from a high of 38 percent in 1998 to just 18 percent in 2014.

Only three songs with female voices are in this week's Top 25 of Billboard's Hot country songs chart, with Little Big Town's "Girl Crush," Cam's "Burning House" and Maddie & Tae's "Fly." And "Girl Crush" and Carrie Underwood's "Something In the Water"

are the only women-led songs to hit No. 1 this year.

"My worry is, is there a place for something like 'The House That Built Me'?" Fram said of Lambert's Grammy-winning hit song. "Would that see the light of day now?" Luke Bryan, the reigning entertainer of the year at the CMA and ACM Awards, said that the country music community needs to take a deeper look at why there's a lack on women on the radio.

"The music industry can get real, real busy and fast-paced and you look up, and you realize, 'Man, there isn't a female artist per se in the Top 10 or even in the Top 20 right now, and there was only one or two that broke in the mix,'" he said. "I think it's about the ACMs and CMAs even forming some maybe committees to talk about it and see what's going on in the radio community — it's a whole industry situation to sit down and determine what can be done better to promote women in the format." Those conversations are starting to happen. CMT's Fram, along with Rounder Records vice president Tracy Gershon and music columnist Beverly Keel, created a collective of women in the music industry called Change The Conversation that works to mentor and educate each other.

"Change The Conversation is not that you need to play every female artist that is out there ... for us, it's

about the best song wins," Fram said.

Last month Lambert held a charity show that featured her singing with the genre's best songwriters, male and female, to raise funds for a new scholarship for women musicians and artists. But for female artists who are still waiting for their opportunity, the only thing they can do is focus on the music.

Rising duo Maddie & Tae came out swinging when they skewered male country artists' portrayal of women on "Girl In A Country Song," which hit gold status and peaked at No. 3 on the country charts. Now on tour with Dierks Bentley, the pair said they've had to prove to the fans that they belong on that stage with the men.

"We are new to the scene and we are females, but I feel like we can live up to the expectations," said 19-year-old Tae Dye. "We can hang with the guys."

Ashley Monroe, whose new album debuted at No. 2 for country albums behind Alan Jackson, hasn't been able to get a top radio hit on her own, unless she's singing with Blake Shelton, as she's done twice with "Lonely Tonight" and "Boys 'Round Here."

"I make sure everything I sing I believe in ... If it gets on radio, that's amazing. That's millions of people that are hearing it," she said. "And if it doesn't, then I am just going to work extra hard to find other ways to get heard."

Country music veteran Vince Gill, who co-produced Monroe's album and has seen trends come and go in the format for decades, said the real problem is the lack of diversity as the overall music industry has shrunk with declining record sales.

"They feel like there's such a glut of male artists and that's true, but they play about a fourth as many records as they used to," Gill said. "And so if there's only two or three females, there's only 15 or 20 slots available on radio. And there used to be 60." □

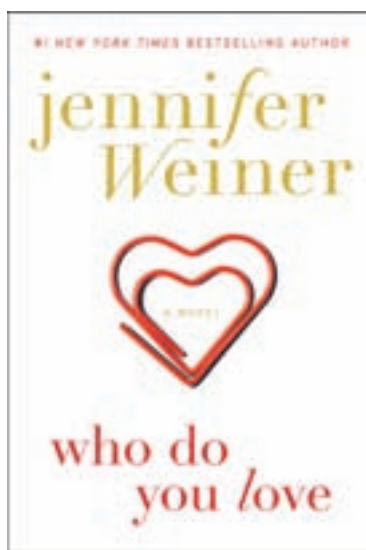
Weiner explores idea of soul mates in 'Who Do You Love'

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Author Jennifer Weiner delicately sets the stage for a story detailing the celebrations and challenges of romance in "Who Do You Love." She chronicles a relationship that spans 30 years. Readers will laugh, cry and find themselves caught up in the story, analyzing each moment of the timeline as Weiner explores the idea: "Do soul mates really exist?" Rachel and Andy met in elementary school, and fate brings them back together eight years later. The once sickly girl with a weak heart and overbearing parents has grown into an energetic young woman, and the shy boy living in a single-parent home is now a motivated teen with big dreams of track scholarships. Their first interaction as children created intrigue.

As teens, it was love at second sight.

In the beginning of their relationship, geography is the biggest hurdle. Attending colleges on opposite ends of the country is difficult, and as they grow and mature, all logic points to an inevitable breakup. Even though they feel being apart is the right choice, they continue to



This photo provided by Atria Books, a division of Simon & Schuster, Inc., shows the cover of the book, "Who Do You Love," by author, Jennifer Weiner.

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cross paths.

From the opening chapter of "Who Do You Love," Weiner brings the characters to life with intricate details. As Rachel and Andy journey through each new year, readers cannot help but invest in the relationship. It's a story about love gained and lost, and the idea of love eternal.

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